

REMARKS

The Official Action mailed dated July 27, 2005, and the Advisory Action dated November 16, 2005, have been received and their contents carefully noted. Filed concurrently herewith is a *Request for One Month Extension of Time*, which extends the shortened statutory period for response to November 28, 2005. Also, filed concurrently herewith is a *Request for Continued Examination*. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully submit that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicants note with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 13, 2004.

Claims 43-123 are pending in the present application, of which claims 43, 44, 47, 48, 53-56, 73-75, 82-84, 94-97 and 104-107 are independent. The Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 43-72, 82-93, 96, 97, 100-103, 106, 107, 110, 111, 114, 115, 118, 119, 122 and 123 (page 2, Paper No. 07192005; and page 2, Paper No. 11082005). Independent claims 73-75, 94 and 95 have been amended to recite allowable subject matter. Dependent claims 71 and 72 have been amended to correct minor informalities. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.


The Advisory Action withdraws the rejection of claims 43-46, 53-58, 61, 62, 65, 66, 70, 106 and 107 based on the combination of U.S. Patent No. 6,472,256 to Zhang et al. and U.S. Patent No. 4,940,934 to Kawaguchi et al. Although the Advisory Action appears to have inadvertently omitted claim 69 from the listing of allowed claims, it is noted that claim 69 depends from allowed claim 43; therefore, claim 69 is also believed to be in condition for allowance.

The Advisory Action maintains the rejection of independent claims 73-75, 94 and 95 and dependent claims 76-81, 98, 99, 104, 105, 108, 109, 112, 113, 116, 117, 120 and 121 based on the combination of Zhang and Kawaguchi either alone or in combination with one or more of the following: U.S. Patent No. 6,274,887 to Yamazaki et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,760,855 to Nakase et al. and U.S. Patent No. 6,729,922 to

Hiroki. Specifically, the Advisory Action notes that "claims 73-81, 94, 95, 98, 99, 104, 105, 108, 109, 112, 113, 116, 117, 120 and 121 ... do not claim forming a plurality of pixel electrodes after judging the thin film transistors" (page 2, Paper No. 11082005). In response, independent claims 73-75 have been amended to recite forming a plurality of pixel electrodes by patterning a conductive film after judging; and independent claims 94 and 95 have been amended to recite forming a first pixel electrode and a second pixel electrode by patterning a conductive film to be electrically connected to a first thin film transistor and a second thin film transistor, respectively after judging. As such, independent claims 73-75, 94 and 95, as amended, recite allowable subject matter. Claims 73-75 have also been amended to clarify features which are not believed to be critical to the patentability of the claims. Therefore, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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